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AN ACT relating to motor vehicle registration.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

Section 1. KRS 186.050 is amended to read as follows:

(1) The annual registration fee for motor vehicles, including taxicabs, airport limousines, and U-Drive-Its, primarily designed for carrying passengers and having provisions for not more than nine (9) passengers, including the operator, and pickup trucks and passenger vans which are not being used on a for-hire basis shall be eleven dollars fifty cents (\$11.50).

(2) Except as provided in KRS 186.041, the annual registration fee for each motorcycle shall be nine dollars (\$9), and for each sidecar attachment, seven dollars (\$7).

(3) (a) All motor vehicles having a declared gross weight of vehicle and any towed unit of ~~ten~~^{six} thousand (~~10,000~~^{6,000}) pounds or less, except those mentioned in subsections (1) and (2) of this section and those engaged in hauling passengers for hire, operating under certificates of convenience and necessity, are classified as commercial vehicles and the annual registration fee, except as provided in subsections (4) to (14) of this section, shall be eleven dollars and fifty cents (\$11.50).

(b) All motor vehicles except those mentioned in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, and those engaged in hauling passengers for hire, operating under certificates of convenience and necessity, are classified as commercial vehicles and the annual registration fee, except as provided in subsections (3)(a) and (4) to (14) of this section, shall be as follows:

Declared Gross Weight of Vehicle and Any Towed Unit	Registration Fee
[6,001-10,000]	\$24.00
10,001-14,000	30.00
14,001-18,000	50.00

1	18,001-22,000	132.00
2	22,001-26,000	160.00
3	26,001-32,000	216.00
4	32,001-38,000	300.00
5	38,001-44,000	474.00
6	44,001-55,000	669.00
7	55,001-62,000	1,007.00
8	62,001-73,280	1,250.00
9	73,281-80,000	1,410.00

10 (4) (a) Any farmer owning a truck having a gross weight of thirty-eight thousand
 11 (38,000) pounds or less may have it registered as a farmer's truck and obtain a
 12 license for eleven dollars and fifty cents (\$11.50). The applicant's signature
 13 upon the certificate of registration and ownership shall constitute a certificate
 14 that he is a farmer engaged in the production of crops, livestock, or dairy
 15 products, that he owns a truck of the gross weight of thirty-eight thousand
 16 (38,000) pounds or less, and that during the next twelve (12) months the truck
 17 shall not be used in for-hire transportation and may be used in transporting
 18 persons, food, provender, feed, machinery, livestock, material, and supplies
 19 necessary for his farming operation, and the products grown on his farm.

20 (b) Any farmer owning a truck having a declared gross weight in excess of thirty-
 21 eight thousand (38,000) pounds shall not be required to pay the fee set out in
 22 subsection (3) of this section and, in lieu thereof, shall pay forty percent (40%)
 23 of the fee set out in subsection (3) of this section and shall be exempt from
 24 any fee charged under the provisions of KRS 281.752. The applicant's
 25 signature upon the registration receipt shall be considered to be a certification
 26 that he is a farmer engaged solely in the production of crops, livestock or dairy
 27 products, and that during the current registration year the truck will be used

1 only in transporting persons, food, provender, feed, and machinery used in
2 operating his farm and the products grown on his farm.

3 (5) Any person owning a truck or bus used solely in transporting school children and
4 school employees may have the truck or bus registered as a school bus and obtain a
5 license for eleven dollars fifty cents (\$11.50) by filing with the county clerk, in
6 addition to other information required, an affidavit stating that the truck or bus is
7 used solely in the transportation of school children and persons employed in the
8 schools of the district, that he has caused to be printed on each side of the truck or
9 bus and on the rear door the words "School Bus" in letters at least six (6) inches
10 high, and of a conspicuous color, and the truck or bus will be used during the next
11 twelve (12) months only for the purpose stated.

12 (6) Any church or religious organization owning a truck or bus used solely in
13 transporting persons to and from a place of worship or for other religious work may
14 have the truck or bus registered as a church bus and obtain a license for eleven
15 dollars and fifty cents (\$11.50) by filing with the county clerk, in addition to other
16 information required, an affidavit stating that the truck or bus will be used only for
17 the transporting of persons to and from a place of worship, or for other religious
18 work, and that there has been printed on the truck or bus in large letters the words
19 "Church Bus," with the name of the church or religious organization owning and
20 using the truck or bus, and that during the next twelve (12) months the truck or bus
21 will be used only for the purpose stated.

22 (7) Any person owning a motor vehicle with a gross weight of fourteen thousand
23 (14,000) pounds or less on which a wrecker crane or other equipment suitable for
24 wrecker service has been permanently mounted may register the vehicle and obtain
25 a license for eleven dollars fifty cents (\$11.50) by filing with the county clerk, in
26 addition to other information required, an affidavit that a wrecker crane or other
27 equipment suitable for wrecker service has been permanently mounted on such

1 vehicle and that during the next twelve (12) months the vehicle will be used only in
2 wrecker service. If the gross weight of the vehicle exceeds fourteen thousand
3 (14,000) pounds, the vehicle shall be registered in accordance with subsection (3) of
4 this section. The gross weight of a vehicle used in wrecker service shall not include
5 the weight of the vehicle being towed by the wrecker.

6 (8) Motor vehicles having a declared gross weight in excess of eighteen thousand
7 (18,000) pounds, which when operated in this state are used exclusively for the
8 transportation of property within the limits of the city named in the affidavit
9 hereinafter required to be filed, or within ten (10) miles of the city limits of the city
10 if it is a city of the first, second, third, or fourth class, or within five (5) miles of its
11 limits if it is a city of the fifth or sixth class, or anywhere within a county containing
12 an urban-county government, shall not be required to pay the fee as set out in
13 subsection (3) of this section, and in lieu thereof shall pay seventy-five percent
14 (75%) of the fee set forth in subsection (3) of this section and shall be exempt from
15 any fee charged under the provisions of KRS 281.752. Nothing in this section shall
16 be construed to limit any right of nonresidents to exemption from registration under
17 any other provisions of the laws granting reciprocity to nonresidents. Operations
18 outside of this state shall not be considered in determining whether or not the
19 foregoing mileage limitations have been observed. When claiming the right to the
20 reduced fee, the applicant's signature on the certificate of registration and ownership
21 shall constitute a certification or affidavit stating that the motor vehicle when used
22 within this state is used only for the transportation of property within the city to be
23 named in the affidavit and the area above set out and that the vehicle will not be
24 used outside of a city and the area above set out during the current registration
25 period.

26 (9) Motor vehicles having a declared gross weight in excess of eighteen thousand
27 (18,000) pounds, which are used exclusively for the transportation of primary forest

1 products from the harvest area to a mill or other processing facility, where such mill
2 or processing facility is located at a point not more than fifty (50) air miles from the
3 harvest area or which are used exclusively for the transportation of concrete blocks
4 or ready-mixed concrete from the point at which such concrete blocks or ready-
5 mixed concrete is produced to a construction site where such concrete blocks or
6 ready-mixed concrete is to be used, where such construction site is located at a point
7 not more than thirty (30) air miles from the point at which such concrete blocks or
8 ready-mixed concrete is produced shall not be required to pay the fee as set out in
9 subsection (3) of this section, and in lieu thereof, shall pay seventy-five percent
10 (75%) of the fee set out in subsection (3) of this section and shall be exempt from
11 any fee charged under the provisions of KRS 281.752. The applicant's signature
12 upon the certificate of registration and ownership shall constitute a certification that
13 the motor vehicle will not be used during the current registration period in any
14 manner other than that for which the reduced fee is provided in this section.

15 (10) Any owner of a commercial vehicle registered for a declared gross weight in excess
16 of eighteen thousand (18,000) pounds, intending to transfer same and desiring to
17 take advantage of the refund provisions of KRS 186.056(2), may reregister such
18 vehicle and obtain a "For Sale" certificate of registration and ownership for one
19 dollar (\$1). Title to a vehicle so registered may be transferred, but such registration
20 shall not authorize the operation or use of the vehicle on any public highway. No
21 refund may be made under the provisions of KRS 186.056(2) until such time as the
22 title to such vehicle has been transferred to the purchaser thereof. Provided,
23 however, that nothing herein shall be so construed as to prevent the seller of a
24 commercial vehicle from transferring the registration of such vehicle to any
25 purchaser thereof.

26 (11) The annual registration fee for self-propelled vehicles containing sleeping or eating
27 facilities shall be twenty dollars (\$20) and the multiyear license plate issued shall be

1 designated "Recreational vehicle." The foregoing shall not include any motor
2 vehicle primarily designed for commercial or farm use having temporarily attached
3 thereto any sleeping or eating facilities, or any commercial vehicle having sleeping
4 facilities.

5 (12) The registration fee on any vehicle registered under this section shall be increased
6 fifty percent (50%) when the vehicle is not equipped wholly with pneumatic tires.

7 (13) (a) The Department of Vehicle Regulation is authorized to negotiate and execute
8 an agreement or agreements for the purpose of developing and instituting
9 proportional registration of motor vehicles engaged in interstate commerce, or
10 in a combination of interstate and intrastate commerce, and operating into,
11 through or within the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The agreement or
12 agreements may be made on a basis commensurate with, and determined by,
13 the miles traveled on, and use made of, the highways of this Commonwealth
14 as compared with the miles traveled on and use made of highways of other
15 states, or upon any other equitable basis of proportional registration.
16 Notwithstanding the provisions of KRS 186.020, the cabinet shall promulgate
17 administrative regulations concerning the registration of motor vehicles under
18 any agreement or agreements made under this section and shall provide for
19 direct issuance by it of evidence of payment of any registration fee required
20 under such agreement or agreements. Any proportional registration fee
21 required to be collected under any proportional registration agreement or
22 agreements shall be in accordance with the taxes established in this section.

23 (b) Any owner of a commercial vehicle who is required to title his motor vehicle
24 under this section shall first title such vehicle with the county clerk pursuant
25 to KRS 186.020 for a state fee of one dollar (\$1). Title to such vehicle may be
26 transferred; however title without proper registration shall not authorize the
27 operation or use of the vehicle on any public highway. Any commercial


1 vehicle properly titled in Kentucky may also be registered in Kentucky, and,
2 upon payment of the required fees, the department may issue an apportioned
3 registration plate to such commercial vehicle.

4 (c) Any commercial vehicle that is properly titled in a foreign jurisdiction, which
5 vehicle is subject to apportioned registration, as provided in paragraph (a) of
6 this subsection, may be registered in Kentucky, and, upon proof of proper title,
7 and payment of the required fees, the department may issue an apportioned
8 registration plate to the commercial vehicle. The department shall promulgate
9 administrative regulations in accordance with this section.

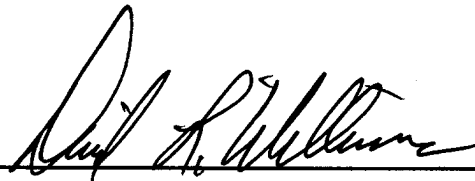
10 (14) Any person seeking to obtain a special license plate for an automobile that has been
11 provided to him pursuant to an occupation shall meet both of the following
12 requirements:

13 (a) The automobile shall be provided for the full-time exclusive use of the
14 applicant; and

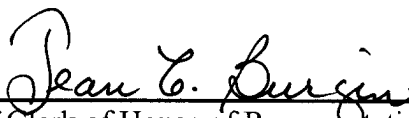
15 (b) The applicant shall obtain permission in writing from the vehicle owner or
16 lessee on a form provided by the cabinet to use the vehicle and for the vehicle
17 to bear the special license plate.



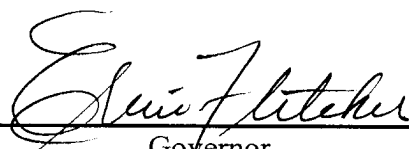
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